

Amendment No. 1 to HB2757

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 3092

House Bill No. 2757*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a special joint committee to study the issues of energy efficiency in residential and small commercial construction, the use of incentives to encourage the adoption of methods and materials that can increase the energy efficiency of residential and small commercial buildings constructed in this state, and the feasibility of establishing benchmarks or other methodologies for evaluating the impact of incorporating methods and materials that purport to increase energy efficiency in residential and small commercial construction. The committee shall seek input from producers of energy efficiency standards and assessment programs, including Green Globes, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED), and Energy Star and from any other sources of information that the committee determines are necessary to thoroughly examine such issues. For purposes of this act, "small commercial construction" means construction of buildings for commercial use that are no greater than three (3) stories in height.

SECTION 2. The special joint committee shall consist of:

(1) Three (3) members of the senate, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate;

(2) Three (3) members of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(3) One (1) representative of the Tennessee Valley Authority with knowledge and experience in energy efficiency issues, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate;

(4) One (1) representative of the Tennessee Board of Regents system, who specializes in energy studies, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(5) One (1) representative of the University of Tennessee system, who specializes in energy studies, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate;

(6) One (1) general contractor licensed in this state who specializes in residential construction, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(7) One (1) general contractor licensed in this state who specializes in small commercial construction, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate;

(8) One (1) representative of building supplies dealers with knowledge and experience in the green building initiative, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(9) One (1) representative of the scientific community in the state that specializes in energy research, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate; and

(10) One (1) architect licensed in this state, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

SECTION 3. All appropriate agencies of state government shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

SECTION 4. All legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the General Assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its final findings and recommendations.

SECTION 5. The special joint committee shall be convened by the member having the greatest number of years of continuous service within the general assembly, and at its first meeting shall elect from among its legislative membership a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

SECTION 6. The special joint committee shall timely report its final findings and recommendations to the One Hundred Sixth General Assembly no later than December 1, 2008, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.